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Colfax City Vegetation Management Project

Auburn – CAL FIRE/Placer County Fire Department in conjunction with the City of Colfax will be performing a prescribed fire broadcast burn Tuesday and Wednesday March 22nd and 23rd, 2022, around the city's infrastructure on approximately 17 acres. The projects' objective is to further reduce the threat of wildfire to the City's infrastructure.

This proposed burn is part of a larger North Fork American River Fuel Break project where crews have reduced wildland fuels by hand and mechanical treatments on over 1000 acres. Prescribed fire is expected to increase the wildland fire resilience for the City's property as well as the surrounding community.

CAL FIRE will assign three engines and three hand crews to support the success of the project. CAL FIRE has created a burn and smoke management plan while Placer County Air Quality Management District has issued a burn permit. All operations will be conducted in accordance with Air Quality Control.

It is anticipated smoke from the prescribed fire will be seen from various places within the City limits and surrounding area including Grandview and Iowa Hill. There are no current expected impacts to the community other than some smoke during the proposed firing operations (9:30am -5:00pm).

Updates on this prescribed burn will be provided via social media @calfireneu on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.